

**MINNESOTA VALLEY EDUCATION DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, AUGUST 12, 2025
6:00 PM
MVED DISTRICT OFFICE, 801 DAVIS STREET, SAINT PETER, MN**

In attendance at the meeting were the following Board Members: Nancy Heldberg, Ashley Black, Linda Leiding, Karson Duncanson, and Tracy Stuewe. Board Members Absent: St. Clair Board Member. Also in attendance were Executive Director of Special Education Sara Kral, MVED Principal Tanner Schraw, Supervising Superintendent Jon Graff, MVED EA Vice President Jacki Madden, and Administrative Assistant Lacey Hagen.

Chair Heldberg called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm

Approval of Agenda: (Black/Duncanson, unanimous)

Consider Requests to Speak on the Agenda: none

Approval of Consent Agenda Items: (Leiding/Stuewe, unanimous)

- A. Approval of the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of June 16, 2025
- B. Approval of Bills and Wire Payments for June and July 2025 (\$731,484.59)
- C. Personnel
 - 1. Acceptance of the resignation of Lisa Senear, Teacher, effective end of 2024-2025 school year.
 - 2. Acceptance of the resignation of Amy Johnson, Social Worker, effective end of 2024-2025 school year.
 - 3. Approval of the hiring of Ben Johnson, Teacher, effective August 2025.
 - 4. Approval of the hiring of Jessica Noakes, Dean of Special Education, effective July 1, 2025.
 - 5. Approval of the hiring of Thomas Murray, Social Worker, effective August 2025.
 - 6. Approval of the hiring of Courtney Colton, MVED-St.Peter Social Worker, effective August 2025.
 - 7. Acceptance of the retirement of Cheryl Thoemke, Speech and Language Pathologist, effective May 31, 2025.
- E. Contracts/Agreements
 - 1. Approval of the subscription renewal for FastBridge for the period of July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026.
 - 2. Approval of the service agreement between South Central Regional Area Telecommunications System (SOCRATES) and MVED from July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2029.
 - 3. Approval of the South Central Service Cooperative Membership Agreement for the 2025-2026 school year.
 - 4. Approval of the joint agreement with St. Peter Public Schools to provide MVED with its School Nutrition Program for the 2025-2026 school year.

Approval of Acceptance of Donation of \$1,000 from Sertoma of Greater Mankato for Deaf/Hard of Hearing: Motion to approve Acceptance of Donation of \$1,000 from Sertoma of Greater Mankato for Deaf/Hard of Hearing. (Leiding/Duncanson, unanimous)

Approval of Acceptance of Assessment Calendar 2025-2026: Motion to approve Acceptance of Assessment Calendar 2025-2026. (Black/Duncanson, unanimous)

Approval of Acceptance of 2025-2026 School Calendar: Motion to approve Acceptance of 2025-2026 School Calendar. (Stuewe/Black, unanimous)

Approval of Acceptance of Memorandum of Understanding: Motion to approve Acceptance of Memorandum of Understanding between Sara Kral and MVED. (Duncanson/Leiding, unanimous)

Approval of Acceptance of First & Second Reading of New Policy 802 Disposition of Obsolete Equipment and Material: Motion to approve Acceptance of First & Second Reading of New Policy 802 Disposition of Obsolete Equipment and Material. (Duncanson/Stuewe, unanimous)

Executive Director of Special Education Report –

Special Education Director, Sara Kral provided an update about the MVED building renovation. Sara spoke about the hiring of the Dean of Special Education position and shared a brief description of what that position will look like. Sara will continue to provide support with the referral process within our member districts. Sara reported there is potential for selling services to other surrounding districts for psych services as well as Deaf and Hard of Hearing services. The MVED School Board is currently awaiting a new St. Clair Board Member to be assigned.

MVED Principal Report –

MVED Principal, Tanner Schraw shared an introduction of himself and provided an update about how the remainder of ESY went. He reported the need for hiring more paraeducators and will be conducting interviews soon. Tanner noted he has attended a safety training to be able to implement building-wide safety protocols and procedures. He will also be attending a four day Boystown Training before the school year begins.

Supervising Superintendent Report –

Supervising Superintendent, Jon Graff- No Report for this meeting.

Future Meetings:

Tuesday	October 14, 2025	MVED District Office	6:00 PM
Tuesday	December 9, 2025	MVED District Office	6:00 PM

The meeting was adjourned at 6:34 pm (Duncanson/Stuewe).

Ashley Black (MVED Board of Directors Clerk)

Date